



MINYAN INFORMATION

Welcome back to LSS! Although we are no longer operating under capacity limits or requiring pre-registration for Shabbat or weekday services, we request that attendees be sensitive to the comfort and safety concerns of others at shul by respecting any social distancing desires of others. In addition, while mask-wearing is optional at outdoor services, everyone MUST wear a face mask, covering the wearer's mouth and nose, in all areas indoors at all times on Shabbat and Yom Tov. We thank you in advance for continuing to keep each other safe and healthy!

Shacharit:

Sunday, October 3 @ 8:30am
Monday, October 4—Friday, October 8 @ 7:30am
Mincha/Maariv:
Sunday, October 3 & Monday, October 4 @ 6:25pm
Tuesday, October 5—Thursday, October 7 @ 6:20pm

ROSH CHODESH

The Molad for Rosh Chodesh MarCheshvan will be on Wednesday afternoon at 11 minutes and 12 chalakim after 12 pm.
Rosh Chodesh MarCheshvan will be on Wednesday and Thursday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 3rd, The Soul of the Mishna: Making the Mishna Meaningful: 7:00pm Location: Belfer Beit Midrash with speaker Rabbi Dr. Yakov Nagen. As the foundational text of the Oral Torah, the Mishna is mostly analyzed to understand Jewish law and the workings of the halakhic system. However, there is also an inner spirit to the work that often goes unnoticed, a profundity that provides important principles and insights for everyday life such as those relating to God's presence in the world, relationships between parents and children and between husbands and wives, social justice, the Temple, the Land of Israel, and more. In this talk Rabbi Nagen will discuss the central themes of his book "The Soul of Mishna", newly released from Maggid Press.
Meeting ID: 813 1875 4339 Passcode: 961035

Monday, October 4th: 8:15-9:30PM. There will be a Beginners Schmooze with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald over Zoom at no charge. Register at www.lss.org/beginners.

Saturday, October 9th: Beginners Luncheon
Cost: \$25 per person. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners.
Deadline: Wednesday, October 6th.
Open only to those who are fully vaccinated.

Shabbat, October 23rd: Save the Date! Young Professionals Luncheon.
Location: The Spira Family Terrace. More details to come.

Sunday, October 24th Women's Tefillah Group Presents: Chodesh Cheshvan Shiur: 8:00pm Title: Sins of the Snake: What Went Wrong In Eden? Women and men welcome. Meeting ID: 815 6769 9309
Passcode: 003788

MAZAL TOV

Ron Goldofsky and the entire Goldofsky family on the finalization of Jeremiah's adoption this month and on his 9th birthday on September 29th.

Rabbi Jonah & Mrs. Fran Kupietzky on the birth of a great granddaughter to their grandchildren Danielle & Joey Silverman, to parents Denise & Alan Wildes, and to great uncles **Steve Kay Kupietzky & Morey Wildes**.

Rebecca & Eitan Kimelman on the birth of a baby boy. Mazal tov to Grandparents Barbara and George Hanus, Great Grandmother Magda Hanus and Grandparents Hava and Rabbi Reuven Kimelman.

Tova and Howard Weiser, who are being honored at the 30th Anniversary Virtual Gala of Gift of Life Marrow Registry on Wednesday evening, October 6th.

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday night:

5:25pm Earliest Candle Lighting
6:21pm Shabbat Candle Lighting
6:25pm Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
6:38pm Sunset: daven Mincha
7:09pm Repeat Shema

Shabbat:

7:45am Hashkama Minyan Location: Belfer Beit Midrash Shiur to follow by Rabbi Moshe Sokolow Location: 3rd Floor. Hashkama Kiddush to follow in room 211.
9:00am Shabbat Morning Services: Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Drasha following Musaf by Rabbi Yoni Zolty. *Sponsored Anonymously in honor of Rabbi and Rabbanit Zolty.*
9:20am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan
Location: The Spira Family Terrace
9:30am Beginners Service Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Beginners Kiddush to follow in the Belfer Beit Midrash.
9:48am Latest Shema
10:00am Shabbat Groups Location: Second Floor Classrooms
10:47am Latest Shacharit
4:25pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler Location: Belfer Beit Midrash
5:10pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur. Shiur by Rabbi Yoni Zolty. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary *Sponsored by Sharon Z. and Avram Blumenthal in memory of the 2nd yahrtzeit of Yehoshua Zanger.*
6:10pm Mincha Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary followed by Seudah Shlishit in our Spira Family Terrace. Shiur by Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty. *Sponsored Anonymously in honor of Rabbi and Rabbanit Zolty.*
6:36pm Sunset: daven Mincha
7:20pm Ma'ariv/Havdalah
7:30pm Zoom Havdalah(link in electronic Echod).

DVAR TORAH

The next Shabbatot available to write a Dvar Torah are:
Toldot 11/6, Vayetzei 11/13, Vayishlach 11/20 & Miketz 12/4
If interested, please email Bill Greenbaum at dvar@lss.org.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

All indoor kiddushim are for vaccinated individuals only.
Hashkama Kiddush: Judy & Moshe Sokolow in gratitude to our ba'alei K'riah whose cantillations enhance our services.
Joel Tenenholtz in commemoration of the Yahrtzeit of my mother Hannah, Chanah Bat Ze'ev, a"n.
Main Kiddush: Bernard Broome in memory of Sidney Broome whose yahrtzeit is on the 30th Tishrei and Evelyn Broome whose yahrtzeit was on 23rd Tishrei. And in celebration of his marriage to Joanna Toledano. And in honor of Josh Broome's 17th birthday on October 1st.
Additional sponsorship donated in memory Edward Stark.
Beginners Kiddush: Fei Lu Chaya Fang & Roger Joseph Ephraim Wu for the birth of their baby girl Hila Wu.
Seudah Shlishit: Lois Gottesman in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of her beloved mother Rosalie Gottesman a"n.
Audrey Kallman and family in loving memory of the yahrtzeit of her son, Jonathan, Yehuda Chaim z"l 29th Tishrei.
Would you like to sponsor a kiddush for future weeks? Email info@lss.org.

YOUTH AND MAGEN AVRAHAM TEEN DEPARTMENT

Shabbat Youth Groups: 10:00am (Location: 2nd floor classrooms)
Youth Groups are back in full swing with davening, Torah, snacks & play.
Youth Directors: Romy and Avraham Sanger
Assistant Youth Director: Alexander Wildes

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dalia and Jeffrey Levine

The first day in this week's parshah is known for the creation of light and darkness. But there is something else created on that day that the Torah doesn't describe as having been created: time. The idea of a day being the first day implies that there were no days before it and therefore no such thing as time before. That's hard for us to conceive and yet it's clear that Creation must have been the source of time. Yet the Torah is virtually silent on the idea that time itself was created on that first day.

Clocks measure the passage of time at a constant rate. Even when we feel personal time passing more quickly or slowly, our devices always confirm that time is passing steadily. But among the greatest discoveries of the twentieth century is that time is not a constant in the universe. Time is more like a river, and we are the fish swimming in it. Rivers move unevenly, more rapidly in the center than on the banks; time does likewise, it moves differently depending on where you stand and how fast you're moving. For everything on earth, the difference is more minute than we can sense. But we know that time moves differently for objects in the universe moving much faster than we can or subject to greater or lesser gravity. The satellites that run the GPS system, which are far off in orbit and moving quickly, must be corrected for this phenomenon or they give the wrong location information. Unlike certain species such as salmon or trout in a river, we cannot swim against the flow of the river of time. We can remember the past but we cannot remember the future.

We do not know how long the first day of creation was, we don't even have a measurement system for describing it, but it's unlikely to have been 24 hours as we know it. Science now tells us that the universe at creation was expanding rapidly when light first came into being and the passage of time then was not how we experience it.

Scientists have argued for centuries about whether there is a basic building block of time as there is with matter, an amount of time so small that it has no component parts, like atoms and quarks. Maimonides agreed with other thinkers of his era that there was a fundamental particle of time when he wrote, "Time is composed ... of many parts that cannot be further subdivided on account of their short duration." As the centuries passed, science rejected that idea. But in the 20th century, scientists realized Maimonides and his contemporaries were right and the shortest possible length of time is now known as the Planck Time.

There is so much to say about time it leads to the question: why is our parshah silent on the subject? Why does the Torah not even mention that time was created the way the other parts of the universe are described? Chapter Two is the first story of how the objects created in the first seven days interact with each other but there is no mention of how time interacts with anything else. It is arguably the most important thing created— it is

fundamental to everything in our existence—but we hear nothing about it.

There are many ways in which time is different from the rest of creation. One of those differences is that we can have more or less of the non-time things in creation. We can grow more trees and fruit, we can breed more or fewer animals, we can choose to procreate ourselves, more or less. All those things are in our control. Time is not like that; we only have what there is and we can only experience it as it flows in the way of its choosing.

If the Torah is about conveying 613 commandments, then the message is that it is about doing, or refraining from doing. It is about our choices. Unlike all the other things described in creation, time is not our choice, it is what we are in. The omission of time as a subject in the Torah implies that our choices are what count and not watching time go by. Coming so shortly after Yom Kippur, the omission of the discussion of time in the Torah is asking us to focus more on what we can do and less on what we can't control.

This coming week will mark the wedding of Sarah and Rabbi Robinson's daughter Ariella to Moshe Schwab. It's a joy to see the Robinson children make their life choices as their time comes. Time is not about being marked, it is about the job taken, the marriage entered into, the relationships we choose to build, and the ones we pass by. As next week's parshah says when Noah leaves the ark: "Like the green grass, I give it all to you." It's up to us to focus on our choices and not on what we can't control.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Monday:

- ***Canceled, will resume October 11*** Chug Ivrit led by Harel Fenigstein Chadashot (News from Israel): 7:00pm-8:15pm.
- **Beginners: The Jewish Living Workshop** led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum will be held at LSS Monday, October 4th, at 7:30-8:30pm via Zoom. The Jewish Living Workshop, register at www.lss.org/beginners. Topic: Jewish Life Cycles: What to Expect at a Wedding, Sheva Brachot. Meeting ID: 992 0679 6915 Passcode: 593143.

Tuesday:

- ***Canceled this week*** The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha" led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am–11:30am Meeting ID: 241022510. Location: The Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
- **Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group** led by Ron Platzer: 8:00pm. Meeting ID: 850 0937 1460 Password:560 900
- **Beginners:** Introduction to Bible, on Zoom with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald: 6:30-8:00pm. This course will review basic literary and theological approaches to Bible study, traditional and modern, through the analysis of the Biblical text. Registrants will receive the Zoom link. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners. Cost: \$90, Free to LSS Members. No one will be turned away for lack of funds.

Wednesday:

- ***Canceled, will resume October 13*** Chug Ivrit - Safa Ivrit (Hebrew Language) led by Harel Fenigstein: 7:00pm-8:15pm.
- **Save the date October 13! Food, Jews, History with Paul Shaviv:** 8:00pm Different and fascinating interactions between Jews, food and history! Discovery, trade, use, halakhah... Meeting ID: 836 3083 6501 Passcode: 648083

Thursday:

- **Women's Talk Time:** led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Meeting ID: 972 4054 8238 Password: 142533
- ***Canceled this week*** Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explorations in the Weekly Parsha led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 6:45pm.

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